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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(D)

This is a Request for filing a ☒ Continuation or ☐ Divisional Application, under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) (Continued Prosecution Application (CPA)) of prior application Serial No 09/316,430 filed on May 21, 1999, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPUTERIZED HANDLING OF PROPOSALS by Ronald A. Katz, which remains the same for this Continuing Application.

The above-identified application in which no payment of Issue Fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this request for a CPA. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

1. ☐ Enter the Amendment After Final under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_ but unentered, in the prior application.
2. ☒ A Preliminary Amendment will be transmitted by Facsimile shortly.
3. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(4) please delete the following inventors named in the prior application:
4. ☐ A new Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent is enclosed.
5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449; ☐ copy of citations.

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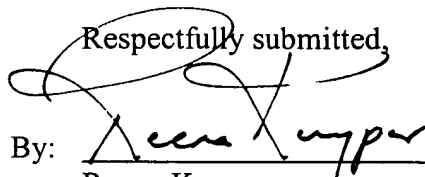
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